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FROM: : Mr. Carlson

SUBJECT: Former agent-trainee of TU 105, "KARL"

DATE DELIVERED: 24 May, 1955

1. Enclosed is a clipping from the Soviet Estonian newspaper "RAHVA HÄXL", copy of 5 June, 1953. It carries an article about the kolkhoz "Kingise-pa-nimeline" at ALDINA, SE part of Estonia. The article is accompanied by one photograph, showing three men. The man on the right, with a book in his hand, is indicated to be the leader of this kolkhoz, R. METUS. The article as such is of no interest, it tells of the experiences and merits of the left-standing man, P. VOOJÄRV in cultivation of flax. The leader of the kolkhoz is not mentioned in it at all.
2. The image of R. Metus recalls most vividly the above mentioned trainee, KARL: his big nose, large ears, half-apologizing smily face, a queasing look, posture - leaned forward like having some pain in stomach.
3. The name of this man, as given in the text below the photograph, "Metus," was very common in the SW part of Estonia wherefrom Karl originated. It was used in different variations: MÖTUS, METUS, MÖTTUS, METTUS, the meaning of the word being the PARTRIDGE or the BOBWHITE.
4. It is unknown to me who has drawn the cross above the head of that man. Most probably this was done by Karl himself or his buddy, ARTHUR. Both had the copy at their disposal among hundreds of other Soviet newspapers. Neither Arthur nor Karl told anything of it to me or to Mr. Victor, the co-instructor with TU 105.
5. Victor thinks that the ink used for drawing this cross could have belonged to his fountain-pen, which Arthur had asked once for a short time.
6. One more peculiarity: this man in the photo is wearing a cap of the special design Karl was very fond of and liked to have one in his equipment.

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